## PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR TOWN OF CLARENCE

(Amended January 1, 2020) (Encumbrance Policy Procedure attached)

WHEREAS, Section 104-b of the General Municipal Law (GML) requires every town to adopt internal policies and procedures governing all procurement of goods and services not subject to the bidding requirements of GML, § 103 or any other law; and

WHEREAS, comments have been solicited from those officers of the town involved with procurement; NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED; that the Town of Clarence does hereby adopt the following procurement policies and procedures:

- GUIDELINE 1. Every prospective purchase of goods or services shall be evaluated to determine the applicability of GML, § 103. Every town officer, board, department head or other personnel with the requisite purchasing authority (hereinafter Purchaser) shall estimate the cumulative amount of the items of supply or equipment needed in a given fiscal year. The information gathered and conclusions reached shall be documented and kept with the voucher or other documentation supporting the purchase activity.
- GUIDELINE 2. All purchases of a) supplies or equipment, where it can reasonable by determined based on the facts and circumstances, will exceed \$20,000 in the fiscal year or, b) public works contracts over \$35,000 shall be formally bid pursuant to GML, § 103.
- GUIDELINE 3. All estimated purchases of supplies and equipment:
  - a. Less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) but greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) require a written request for a proposal and written/fax quotes from three (3) vendors.
  - b. Less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) but greater than four thousand dollar (\$4,000) require a written/fax quote from two (2) vendors.
  - c. Less than four thousand dollars (\$4,000) but greater than five hundred dollars (\$500) are left to the discretion of the purchaser

All estimated public works contracts of:

Less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) but greater than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) require a written Request for Proposal and fax/proposals from three (3) contractors.

Less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) but greater than five

thousand dollars (\$5,000) require a written Request for Proposal and fax proposals from two (2) contractors.

Less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) but greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) are left to the discretion of the purchaser.

Any written Request for Proposal shall describe the desired goods, quantity and the particulars of delivery. The Purchaser shall compile a list of all vendors from whom written/fax/oral quotes offered.

All information gathered in complying with the procedures of this Guideline shall be preserved and filed with the documentation supporting the subsequent purchase or public works contract.

- **GUIDELINE 4.**
- The lowest responsible proposal or quote shall be awarded the purchase or public works contract unless the Purchaser prepares a written justification providing reasons why it is in the best interest of the town and its taxpayers to make an award to other than the low bidder. If a bidder is not deemed responsible, facts supporting that judgment shall be documented and filed with the record supporting the procurement.
- **GUIDELINE 5.**
- A good faith effort shall be made to obtain the required number of proposals or quotations. If the purchaser is unable to obtain the required number of proposals or quotations, the Purchaser shall document the attempt made at obtaining the proposals.
- **GUIDELINE 6.**

Except when directed by the Town Board, no solicitation of written proposals or quotations shall be required under the following circumstances:

- a) Acquisition of professional services;
- b) Emergencies;
- c) Sole source situations:
- d) Goods purchased from agencies for the blind or severely handicapped:
- e) Goods purchased from correctional facilities;
- f) Goods purchased from another governmental agency;
- g) Goods purchased at auction;
- h) Goods purchased for less than \$500:
- i) Public works contracts from less than \$1,000;
- i) Purchases pursuant to State or County bid.
- **GUIDELINE 7.**

This policy shall be reviewed annually by the Town Board at its organizational meeting or as soon thereafter as is reasonably practicable.

GUIDELINE 8. Pursuant to the provisions of GML §104-b(f), effective January 1,

2009, those employees authorized for purchases on behalf of the Town and their respective titles shall be listed in Appendix 1 of this

policy and said listing shall be updated biennially.

## **APPENDIX 1**

<u>EMPLOYEE</u> <u>TITLE</u>

Jonathan Bleuer Junior Planner
James Burkard Parks Crew Chief

Patrick Casilio Supervisor

James Callahan Director of Community Development

Clarence Daigler Highway General Crew Chief Christopher Durr Deputy Recreation Director Highway Superintendent

Paul Englert Deputy Highway Superintendent

Janel Farolino Clerk Typist
Amy Gregor Senior Clerk
Jonathan Hickey Town Justice

Kimberly Ignatowski Director of Administration and Finance

Karen Jurek Assistant to the Town Supervisor

Mary Kelley Clerk to the Town Justice Dawn Kinney Director Youth Board

Joseph Lancellotti Civil Engineer

Jeffrey Loudenslager Highway General Crew Chief

Timothy Lavocat Town Engineer
Robert Linde General Crew Chief
Anna Linde Program Youth Leader

Lawrence Meckler Town Attorney

David Metzger Senior Code Enforcement Officer

Nancy Metzger Town Clerk

Mary Morris Real Property Appraiser

Michael B. Powers Town Justice

Jean Ranney Confidential Secretary to Supt. Of Highway

Cynthia Rosel Paralegal

Jerome Schuler Animal Control Officer
Darcy Snyder Deputy Town Clerk

Sally Moore Clerk to the Town Justice
Clifford Trapper Director of Recreation

Albert Weber Town Assessor
Alan Wolbert Security Officer
Jessica Viola Senior Clerk
Mark Woodard Town Historian